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	AD	4,019,339	04/26/77 ¹⁹⁷⁷	Anderson	62	255	08/20/75 ¹⁹⁷⁵
	AE	4,457,140	07/03/84 ¹⁹⁸⁴	Rastelli	62	261	05/21/82 ¹⁹⁸²
	AF	4,792,861	12/20/88 ¹⁹⁸⁸	Weinkle et al.	99	357	02/06/87 ¹⁹⁸⁷
	AG	4,884,626	12/05/89 ¹⁹⁸⁹	Filipowski	165	12	08/23/87 ¹⁹⁸⁷
	AH	5,086,627	02/11/92 ¹⁹⁹²	Borgen	62	229	11/19/90 ¹⁹⁹⁰
	AI	5,347,827	09/20/84 ¹⁹⁸⁴	Rudick et al.	62	440	07/01/92 ¹⁹⁹²
	AJ	5,417,081	05/23/95 ¹⁹⁹⁵	Rudick et al.	62	440	07/14/94 ¹⁹⁹⁴
	AK	5,875,645	03/02/99 ¹⁹⁹⁹	Dunnigan	62	407	04/10/97 ¹⁹⁹⁷
	AL	6,070,424	06/06/00 ²⁰⁰⁰	Bauman et al.	62	279	03/03/99 ¹⁹⁹⁹
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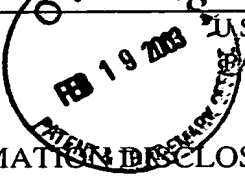
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